

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

CRIMINAL MINUTES

JUDGE Joseph C. Spero

DATE: April 4, 2008

CASE NO. CR 08-00160-1

NAME: USA v. JOHN JOSEPH COTA

COUNSEL FOR GOVERNMENT:

**Stacey Geiss, Jonathan Schmidt
& Richard Udell**

COURT DEPUTY: Karen Hom

COURT REPORTER: FTR 10:44-10:59

TIME: 19 mins

COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT:

Jeff Bornstein

COUNSEL FOR MATERIAL WITNESSES: (Case 07-90552 MISC VRW)

Brian Getz for Hong Zhi Wang

Petra Reinecke for Sun Mao Cai

Jonathan Howden for Kong Xiang Hu, Shun Biao Zhao, Liang Xian Zheng & Zong Bin Li

PROCEEDINGS:

1. Status/Trial Setting	HELD
2. USA's Motion For Authority to Comply with the Crime Victims' Rights Act Using Appropriate Alternative Measures	GRANTED
3. Material Witnesses' Oral Motion to Unseal Entire Case (Case 7-90552 MISC VRW)	GRANTED
4. Dft's Oral Motion for Referral to a Mag. Judge for Settlement	GRANTED.

ORDERED AFTER THE HEARING: Dft's presence is waived on 5/5/8 and 5/16/8. Briefing
schedule for Material Witnesses' Motion for Release or for Depositions - Gov't response due
4/21/8; reply brief due 4/28/8.

Parties shall confer on the name of a magistrate judge and advise the Court with the name of
the selected magistrate judge.

CASE CONTINUED TO: 5/5/8 at 3:30 PM (special setting) for hearing on Material Witnesses'
Motion for Release or for Depositions; 5/16/8 at 1:30 PM for a Final Pretrial Conference; and
5/27/8 at 8:30 AM for a 3 week jury trial.

ORDER TO BE PREPARED BY: Asst. U.S. Attorney Defendant Court